

**MINUTES OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON
TAX POLICY**

Wednesday, March 7, 2007

10:30 A.M.

Room 519 House Office Building

Chairman Bieda called the meeting to order.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Reps. Bieda, Condino, Farrah, Robert Jones, Mayes, Meisner, Melton, Sheltroun, Warren, Meltzer, Sheen, Steil, Pastor, Palmer, Wenke, Calley. (16/17)

MEMBERS ABSENT/EXCUSED: Rep. Young. (1/17)

Representative Meltzer moved to adopt the minutes from the meeting on February 28, 2007. There being no objection, the minutes were approved.

Representative Condino moved to excuse absent members. There being no objection, absent members were excused.

Chairman Bieda laid **HB 4189** before the committee.

HB 4189 Sheltroun	Property tax; assessments; transfer of ownership resulting from the termination of a joint tenancy; revise.
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Representative Sheltroun, sponsor of the legislation, testified before the committee.

Roland Eno, representing Roscommon County, testified before the committee in support of **HB 4189**.

John Clark, representing Roscommon County Equalization, testified before the committee in support of **HB 4189**.

Scott Schrager, representing the Michigan Department of Treasury, testified before the committee in opposition to **HB 4189** as written.

Bill Anderson, representing the Michigan Townships Association, testified before the committee in support of **HB 4189**.

Brad Comment, representing the Michigan Association of Counties, turned in a testimony card in support of **HB 4189** but did not wish to speak.

Brian Westrin, representing the Michigan Association of Realtors, turned in a testimony card in support of **HB 4189** but did not wish to speak.

Mickey Knight, representing the Michigan Assessors Association, turned in a testimony card in support of **HB 4189** but did not wish to speak.

Representative Robert Jones moved to report **HB 4189** with recommendation.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

YEAS: Reps. Bieda, Condino, Farrah, Robert Jones, Meisner, Melton, Sheltroun, Warren, Meltzer, Sheen, Steil, Pastor, Palmer, Calley. (14/17)

NAYS: Rep. Wenke. (1/17)

PASS: None. (0/17)

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the motion prevailed.

There being no further business before the committee, **Chairman Bieda** declared the meeting adjourned, the time being 11:24 a.m.

Representative Steve Bieda, Chair

Eric Esch, Committee Clerk (517) 373-0070

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Wednesday, March 7, 2007

3:50 P.M.

Room 352 Capitol Building

Chairman Bieda called the meeting to order.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Reps. Bieda, Condino, Farrah, Robert Jones, Melton, Sheltroun, Warren, Young, Meltzer, Sheen, Steil, Pastor, Palmer, Wenke, Calley. (15/17)

MEMBERS ABSENT/EXCUSED: Reps. Mayes, Meisner. (2/17)

The committee met jointly with the House Standing Committee on Appropriations.

Representative Condino moved to excuse absent members. There being no objection, absent members were excused.

Robert Kleine, Treasurer for the State of Michigan, gave a presentation before the committee on Michigan's economic and revenue situation.

Dr James Anderson, a professor at Michigan State University, gave a presentation before the committee on Michigan's economic history.

Mitch Bean, Director of the House Fiscal Agency, gave a presentation before the committee on Michigan's economic and revenue situation.

There being no further business before the committee, **Chairman Bieda** declared the meeting adjourned, the time being 6:15 p.m.

Representative Steve Bieda, Chair

Eric Esch, Committee Clerk (517) 373-0070